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To the Honorable Members of the Illinois General Assembly:

In compliance with the requirements set forth in the Illinois Regulatory Sunset Act (5 ILCS 80), my office has conducted a review of the Registered Interior Designers Act (225 ILCS 310), which is scheduled to sunset on January 1, 2022. As a result of this review, it is recommended to the General Assembly that:

The Registered Interior Designers Act (225 ILCS 310) should be continued with the following modifications to its existing statutory and administrative rule framework.

- Add a definition of “Email address of record,” standardizing IDFPR’s initiative to become more efficient and paperless.

The absence of regulation of Interior Designers would not significantly harm or endanger the public health, safety, or welfare of the citizens of Illinois. The Registered Interior Designers Act allows for title protection only. The associations in favor of regulation claim that only “Registered Interior Designers” can be guaranteed to know and follow health and safety guidelines. The only available study on Interior Design and health, safety, and welfare was funded by the industry’s six major associations, and it’s based on survey questions to those associations’ members.

While our current law requires years of schooling and experience to use the title “registered Interior Designer,” there are no qualifications necessary to call oneself an “Interior Designer,” and anyone may practice residential interior design everywhere in the United States.

The full report provided by the Governor’s Office of Management and Budget is provided as reference.

Very Sincerely and Respectfully,
JB Pritzker
Governor